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Minutes 05/12/2014

Arlington Cultural Council Minutes

Monday, May 12, 2014

Arlington Senior Center, 7:30

Present: Karin Blum, Eliza Burden, Wendy Glaas, Maggie Husak, Margaret Moore, Frank Tadley, Scott Samenfeld, Elisabeth Taylor

Absent: Joe Burns

Visitor: Jeff Boudreau

Called to order 7:34pm

ITEM 1 Approval of April Minutes

The April minutes were approved unanimously.

ITEM 2 RFPs

The following RFPs have been submitted:

- 2014-17 Todd Brunel
- 2014-11 Arlington International Film Festival
- 2014-20 Ethan Kaczowka

Margaret has been in touch with the Friends of Waldo Park regarding project 2013-09. They have completed the project and will submit paperwork within 60 days.

ITEM 3 Reception Post Mortem

Overall the reception was a success. Council members discussed the following issues to take into consideration for 2015 planning:

- Having reception space on two floors was difficult for our purposes
- The performance by AFD was too long and took the focus off of the grantees/ACC
- The slideshow was very well received and turned out to be a great way to highlight each organization, especially since ACMI created a video on the reception that used the slides.
- It is proposed that we return to the hearing room at Town Hall in 2015. We will book the date on a Monday in April based on Selectmen's meeting schedule.

ITEM 4 Grant Cycle Business

Dates were set for the following grant cycle meetings:

- Info session: Monday, September 22, 7-8:30pm
- Grant presentations: Wednesday and Thursday, November 5&6, 7-8:30pm
- Grant deliberations: Sunday, November 23, 9am

Margaret will work on getting venues.

It was proposed that in 2015 we hold an info session in the Spring and a troubleshooting/working session in the fall to encourage more applicants.

- Wendy will revise guidelines for 2015
- Elisabeth will work on getting a photo of Grant Recipients printed in Arlington Advocate

ITEM 5 Orientation of new members

Eliza discussed the member binder and our move to electronic files last year. Margaret will create a Table of Contents for Dropbox.

ITEM 6 Public Art Policy discussion

The Council discussed ACAC's proposed Public Art Policy and had concerns that the policy is so broad that it would deter art projects. We will follow up with our colleagues on ACAC.

ITEM 7 Town Day Planning

We will not do an art project but may ask Gail if she wants to do recycled crafts as an activity for the table at Town Day.

Upcoming Events

Mon., June 9, 7:30pm, Arlington Senior Center - Council Meeting

Tue., June 10, Eulipia Jazz Concert -

June 22 Luminaria Dance Company fundraiser

Mon., July 14, 7:30pm, Arlington Senior Center - Council Meeting

Mon., August 11, 7:30pm, Arlington Senior Center - Council Meeting